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EDITORIAL..... by John Kellas

October is National Collector's Month and the RPA is kicking off a new membership drive. The Collector's Show at the Monroe County Fairground Dome marked the start of an active public relation campaign. Members are encouraged to bring guests to any of the RPA's meetings. It is hoped that before the end of the year, the RPA will sponsor on local T.V. a philatelic program! More about that in future issues of the "H & T".....
... During the next few months the "H & T" will be experimenting with different printing formats. This is part of a cost-comparison survey that the Board of Governors has authorized. The "H & T" will be improved and expanded, it is hoped that members will participate by submitting typed articles for the monthly issues. PLEASE support the "H & T".



A towing locomotive and a ship in the locks of the Panama Canal are to be featured on a 15¢ definitive that goes on sale Oct. 25, announces the Philatelic Agency, Balboa, Canal Zone. Collectors desiring FDCs should send self-addressed envelopes of ordinary letter size with an enclosure of medium weight. Each envelope should indicate in the upper right corner (in pencil) the number of stamps to be affixed. Requests for unusual arrangements and plate numbers cannot be granted. The envelope containing the order should be endorsed "FDC". FDCs will be returned through the open mail only. Requests for mint stamps should be sent under separate cover and must include return postage. Only postal moneyorders will be accepted in payment. *Unless there is a postal rate increase in '79 this will be the last U.S. Canal Zone issue!

..... on the lighter side

POSTAL STRIKE RETROSPECT D&C 8/13/78 (F. Vanderlinde)

"AS EMPLOYEES of the Postal Service," the letter said, "we have been forced to shoulder the burden of a productivity increase ... by handling increasing volumes of mail with 75,000 fewer employees. We insist that this record be acknowledged by commensurate sharing of benefits ... and by restructuring of onerous, unfair and non-productive work rules." The letter from the National Association of Letter Carriers here was dated June 28. It arrived at its destination ten blocks away on Aug. 8.



**** NEW STAMP ISSUES ****

- Oct. 9 U.S., American Trees, four 15¢ stamps
 Oct. 18 U.S., Christmas, two 15¢ stamps
 Oct. 20 CANADA, Christmas, three stamps 12¢, 14¢, 30¢.
 Oct. 25 U.S. CANAL ZONE, Towing locomotive, 15¢ stamp

******* RPA ASDA TRIP *******

RPA members still have an opportunity to join other members in a trip to the ASDA Show at New York City, Nov. 17, 18, 19. The cost for 2-nights and bus travel to NYC/ back to Rochester is about \$70. You must contact Dick Hall by the first Oct. meeting at which time a deposit will be needed.

******* OCTOBER MEETINGS *******

- Oct. 12 New Members Panel Night. This will be a good test of members' expertise in Philately using a question/answer format. Don't miss the FUN!!!
- Oct. 26 "Two Programs", Here's your chance to show off your favorite cancelled cover. Bring in your cover or card with a cancelled or metered stamp that tells a story, or has history, or uniqueness, whatever. Be prepared to talk about your special postal item for a few minutes..... There will also be a mini-silent auction, in which bids are written down on the lot forms directly. A maximum of 6 lots per member, lot forms will be available at the meeting..... See you at this meeting with your favorite cover and auction lots.

STAMP SHOW

THE REUBEN E. FENTON PHILATELIC SOCIETY

Jamestown, New York

presents

Fentopex XXI

12th ANNUAL STAMP EXHIBIT AND BOURSE

At YWCA Auditorium, 4th & Main Sts., Jamestown, New York

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1978 - 10:00 to 9:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1978 - 10:00 to 5:00 P.M.

Theme: "A TRIBUTE TO JAMESTOWN & NATIONAL AUDUBON SOCIETIES

AN ATTRACTIVE CACHET COVER FRANKED WITH THE FOUR OWL

STAMPS WILL BE AVAILABLE. U.S. POST OFFICE AT SHOW.

FREE ADMISSION - PARKING RAMP NEXT DOOR, FIRST HOUR FREE.

Saturday: Auction 1:15 P.M. Federation Meeting 3:00 P.M.

LONDON 1980

LONDON 1980, an international stamp exhibition, will be staged at the Earls Court exhibition center, London, England, May 6-14, 1980.

The show will feature approximately 4,000 frames of stamps, 200 trade stands and several other special attractions.

A brochure giving initial details of LONDON 1980 for those intending to visit the exhibition or wishing to apply to exhibit is now available from LONDON 1980, secretary, Box 300, London WC2R 1AF, England.

USPS to begin sale for mint set, paperback book

The U.S. Postal Service reports that the 1978 "Mint Set" and the fifth edition of "Stamps and Stories" will be offered for sale at post offices Oct. 23.

The "Stamps and Stories" paperback book and the 1978 Mint Set will be available at philatelic centers and windows, and some post offices.

The USPS' "Stamps and Stories," now in its fifth edition, will include 1979 prices for singles, plate blocks, sheets and first day covers, plus the usual color illustrations of all stamp designs and illustrated stories. The price for the new edition will be \$3.50.

The 1978 Mint Set will include all 28 commemorative and special stamp issues released by the United States in 1978, and will be priced at \$4.50. The folder contains display space and descriptions for each stamp issue included.

